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Our File No. 1174/117/2

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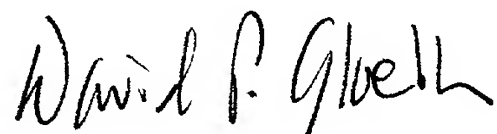
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